

NETWORK SPEECH-TO-TEXT CONVERSION AND STORE

Abstract of the Disclosure

A telecommunications system (100) includes network access devices
5 (104) that couple user devices (102) to a telecommunications network (106).
The user devices (102) include at least voice and preferably text display and
text generation capability. A voicemail server (114) is coupled to the
telecommunications network. The voicemail server (114) is also coupled to
an application server (116). Selectively, speech traveling through the
10 telecommunications network (100) from user devices (102) is converted into
text, stored, and forwarded to a user device as a text message. The text
message is for example a facsimile transmission, an e-mail, or a SMS
message. The selectivity is based on a stored attribute, current status of the
user device, attributes of the sending device and the like. Text can even be
15 converted into speech as an option. Or, stored speech associated with a text
message can be retrieved based on the text message.